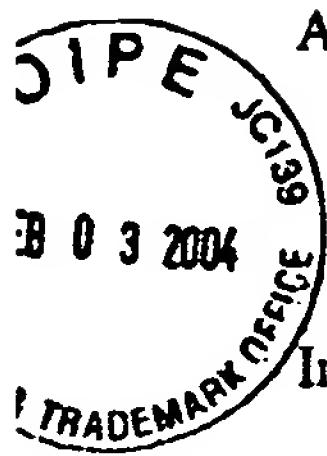


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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

A statement of reasons for allowance was set forth in the Notice of Allowance mailed on November 3, 2003, in connection with the above-identified application.

While the Applicants agree that the pending claims are allowable for at least the reasons set forth in the Examiner's statement, the Applicants submit that the invention as recited by the claims and as described in the present application is patentable over the art of record for reasons in addition to those listed in the Examiner's statement. For example, the claims contain recitations in addition to those stated by the Examiner that provide additional bases for patentability over the art of record. Accordingly, the Applicants reserve the right to pursue claims of different scope than those in the present application. For example, such claims need not include the elements identified in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance in the present application.

Additionally, Applicants do not acquiesce to the Examiner's characterization of prior art and reserve the right to pursue claims in light of an alternative characterization of the noted prior art.

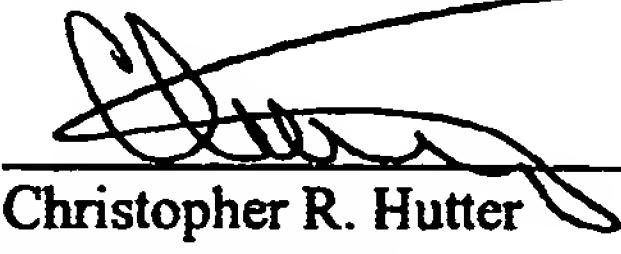
This statement commenting on the reasons for allowance is timely submitted.

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